Amendments to the Claims

1. - 8. (Cancelled)

9. (New) A directional coupler comprising:

a first connection to input or output a wave and a first decoupling connection to decouple a coupled wave, both of said first connection and said first decoupling connection being connected via a first network to an inner conductor and an outer conductor of a coaxial line at a first connection face; and

a second connection to input or output said input or output wave from said first connection and a second decoupling connection to decouple a coupled wave, both of said second connection and said second decoupling connection connected via a second network to said inner conductor and to said outer conductor of said coaxial line at a second connection face;

wherein, said coaxial line is bent in such a manner that said first connection face and said second connection face are aligned generally parallel to a generally planar printed circuit board; said circuit board including at least one of said first connection, said second connection, said first decoupling connection, or second decoupling connection.

- 10. (New) The directional coupler of claim 9 wherein, said first network and said second network are resistance networks.
- 11. (New) The directional coupler of claim 10 wherein resistors forming said first and said second resistance networks are components soldered onto said circuit board in SMD technology.
- 12. (New) The directional coupler of claim 10 wherein, said outer conductor of said coaxial line is led to earth potential at said first connection face via a third network and at said second connection face by a fourth network.

- 13. (New) The directional coupler of claim 12 wherein, said third network and said fourth network are resistance networks.
- 14. (New) The directional coupler of claim 13 wherein resistors forming said first, second, third and fourth resistance networks are components soldered onto said circuit board in SMD technology.
- 15. (New) The directional coupler of claim 13 wherein both of said third and said fourth networks are low impedance networks.
- 16. (New) The directional coupler of claim 13 wherein said coaxial line is bent in a semicircular shape.
- 17. (New) The directional coupler of claim 16 wherein:

said coaxial line is mechanically and electrically connected to said circuit board at said first connection face via a first connection conductor connected to said inner conductor and via first conically disposed resistors connected to said outer conductor, said first connection conductor and said first conically disposed resistors being a part of said first network or said third network; and

said coaxial line is mechanically and electrically connected to said circuit board at said second connection face via a second connection conductor connected to said inner conductor and via second conically disposed resistors connected to said outer conductor, said second connection conductor and said second conically disposed resistors being a part of said second network or said fourth network

- 18. (New) The directional coupler of claim 13 wherein said coaxial line is bent in a U-shape.
- 19. (New) The directional coupler of claim 18 wherein:

said coaxial line is mechanically and electrically connected to said circuit board at said first connection face via a first connection conductor connected to said inner conductor

and via first conically disposed resistors connected to said outer conductor, said first connection conductor and said first conically disposed resistors being a part of said first network or said third network; and

said coaxial line is mechanically and electrically connected to said circuit board at said second connection face via a second connection conductor connected to said inner conductor and via second conically disposed resistors connected to said outer conductor, said second connection conductor and said second conically disposed resistors being a part of said second network or said fourth network

- 20. (New) The directional coupler of claim 9 wherein said coaxial line is bent in a semicircular shape.
- 21. (New) The directional coupler of claim 9 wherein said coaxial line is bent in a U-shape.
- 22. (New) The directional coupler of claim 9 further comprising at least one ferrite ring made of a ferrite material which surrounds said coaxial line.
- 23. (New) The directional coupler of claim 22 wherein said at least one ferrite rign comprises a plurality of aligned ferrite rings encasing said coaxial line.